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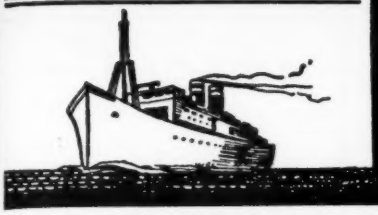

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ARE YOUR U. S. STAMPS CORRECTLY CLASSIFIED?

Here is a statement made recently by an advanced collector . . . ."I was amazed to find that three of the five '3c greens' in my collection were in the wrong spaces." . . . This statement we find not only applies to the "3c greens" in the majority of U. S. collections but many other issues as well. We have, therefore, prepared the following booklets on the issues of United States stamps that are the most difficult to classify without having the actual stamps for comparison. All booklets are printed on a fine grade of white card stock, size 3¼"x5¾" and unlike many text books on stamps these not only contain historical and philatelic data and enlarged illustrations, but they also contain the actual stamps properly classified. These booklets have proven so popular that Volume 2 and Volume 3 have been reprinted. Volumes 1 and 4 are nearly sold out. Volumes 5 through 9 have just recently been published and have already won favor with thousands of collectors. Because of the popularity—more booklets in the series are on the way.

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THE change we now announce has now been under consideration for some months past and the decision to make this change was made during this present month, so that it will require some fast work on our part to make all the plans and preparation that must be done to convert this publication into a real Weekly Philatelic Newspaper—Tabloid Form and to get our offices set up and arranged for the speedy handling of the publication in its new form.

To the reader it will mean an increase of almost 50% in space available for news matter. To the advertising patron it will mean lower advertising rates, rates so low that you can afford the use of large and liberal size space to make your offers in plain readable type that anyone can read and thus make your advertising more productive of results.

At the same time we make the change in method of publication of Linn's Weekly Stamp News, we will also discontinue entirely the sale and handling of the complete line of Linprint Philatelic Products which we have featured for many years past.

We have endeavored to place the different items in the hands of other publishers or dealers and some announcements of this change will be made in the first March number of the new Tabloid Newspaper.

At this time we will give the names of those dealers who have taken over certain of the various lines and thus enable buyers of the products to learn where they can get the same material in the future.

At the end of this month, the printing plant of Linprint Inc., is to be closed and the machinery and equipment sold. The new publication is to be printed by another plant and with these changes, the publisher will thus be able to devote his whole time solely to the production and issue of the paper and can thus give and render a service that will be far better and more thorough than in the past, to both the subscriber as well as to the advertising patron.

For several years past, the publisher has been struggling with a burden far too great for one person to shoulder. With only the preparation of copy for the new paper plus the necessary office detail work to handle, it will be possible to give my whole time to this publication and I am already planning ahead for many new innovations that will be welcomed by our readers.

We plan a cooperation with collectors in a more thorough manner than has ever before been given them by any stamp publication and we urge you to watch for announcements from time to time that will be of great interest.

All this will require time to bring about the changes we will propose, but we feel certain that there is a big field for real cooperation with the stamp collectors and Linn's Weekly hopes to gain the staunch support of thousands more of the stamp collectors of America.

One of the first tasks we hope to tackle is to develop a real cooperative spirit with all of the local or city and town stamp clubs of America. No matter how large or how small your club may be, we want to hear from your club secretary. We are already at work compiling a list of stamp clubs for our own reference and use and shall appreciate it if all stamp club secretaries will send us their name and address with name of their stamp club. At a later date we will have a printed form which we will supply you for further information we will want.

Let us start now to get this list of names complete. Send us a postal card with the name of your club and the name and address of your club secretary.

News For Dealers Mr. Dealer, turn to the center pages of this issue and see the big announcement that will interest you if you want to get business. If further details are wanted we will be glad to advise you on any matter that may be of interest. Right now however, you can get the main facts by turning to the center pages.

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Jack Knight Air Mail Society Formed By Chicagoland Collectors

Air Mail collectors in Chicago and its suburbs have formed a new Air Mail Society and named it for Jack Knight, the pioneer air mail pilot who is a veteran of 2,400,000 miles of flight on our nations airways. The American Air Mail Society has given the new group a charter as Chapter 23 in that organization, which comprises the largest group of Aero Philatelists in the world.

The collecting of air mails, one of the most fascinating branches of our hobby, is alive and growing, is young, and is filled with the spirit of adventure. There are always new routes being opened, trial flights, first flights, crash covers, etc., all of which add to the development of air transportation. The JACK KNIGHT AIR MAIL SOCIETY has been organized to further all the interests of those who collect air mail data, stamps, etiquettes, and covers; to stimulate the growth of this branch of philately; and to furnish as much information as possible regarding new air mail flights and other events appertaining to the advancement of aviation, The officers Glenn W. Glaser, President; Walter W. Briggs, Vice President; and Earl H. Wellman, Secretary-Treasurer have been elected to carry out this program.

Colonel Jack Knight, a member of the American Air Mail Society and an interesting and fascinating figure in the realm of CAM collectors, was selected for the name of the Society because of his long connection with local air mail activity. He began his aviation career in 1917 when he joined the U. S. Army Air Corps and in 1919 joined the U. S. Air Mail Service. As a post office Department pilot he flew sections of the nation's original Coast to Coast route between New York and San Francisco, following its establishment in 1920. In 1921 he was one of seven pilots who volunteered to make the first thru day and night flight from Coast to Coast. It started from San Francisco at dawn on February 22, 1921, and terminated at New York 33 hours and 20 minutes later. Colonel Knight had an outstanding part in the venture when he flew the mail over the entire night portion of the route, with only a flashlight and an automobile road map to go by, from North Platte, Nebraska, to Checkerboard Field, Chicago's old air mail field on the Hines Hospital grounds. Colonel Knight in 1942 is again in active service with the United States Air Corps.

Inquiries concerning the JACK KNIGHT AIR MAIL SOCIETY should be directed to Glenn W. Glaser, President, 5601 West End Ave., Chicago, Illinois, or Earl H. Wellman, Secretary, 3532 Oak Ave., Brookfield, Illinois.

Stamp Racket

In our issue of the 7th February we mentioned the matter of postage stamps being gathered to destroy and reclaim the dye. We have had several letters from readers on this subject and it is stated that the stamps are finally sold in England at 37c per pound and then that the dye is reclaimed from the stamps.

This fact more than anything else exposes the gathering of these stamps as a racket. We acknowledge that the stamps are gathered for a good cause, since we understand that the D.A.R. and probably the Red Cross if information is correct are behind the movement. The whole matter however is a Hoax being foisted on unknowing people by putting out the information that the stamps are to be destroyed to reclaim the dye.

The facts of the case are, as any thinking person can know, that the stamps are being sold to stamp dealers who will in turn sell them to stamp collectors. It is stated that they are sold for 37c per pound. Why not save cost of shipping to England or are they shipped to England. There are probably dozens of dealers in this country who would take a few thousand pounds of such material at 37c per pound since such material is usually sold by dealers at from $1.00 to $1.50 per pound.

If you can vision the fact that a pound of stamps as torn from envelopes and wrapping paper, when soaked off and nothing is left but the stamps must weigh only a couple ounces or so, then how can enough dye be reclaimed from a few ounces of stamps to make them worth 37c. Think it over for yourself. We have no objection to anyone saving stamps for war work, but give the people the truth and do not feed them such misinformation.

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The ATEX Show is annually attended by collectors from all parts of the East, and inasmuch as most contemplated Exhibitions in the Metropolitan area have been called off due to the War, it is expected that there will be an unusually large representation from New York.

The auction will be held on the Ship's Deck of the Hotel at 3 P.M. on Saturday, March 21st, and will feature an unusually fine lot of United States stamps. Somewhat of an innovation will be the make-up of the sale, for instead of containing one "name" collection of stamps, it will consist of only picked items from several fine collections, with few, if any, lots in the sale grading below "Fine," and no defective stamps at all.

Prospective bidders, or those contemplating attending the sale, may obtain auction catalogs from Mr. Herst at 116 Nassau Street, New York City.

Watch for Perf. Errors

Maybe the perforating machines at Washington are breaking down under stress of making Defense Savings Stamps, leastwise a newspaper clipping at hand from A. J. Stefun, P. O. Box 35, Lewisburg, Pa., tells of the find of a sheet of the 2c Defense stamp, upper left pane of plate 22675 in which two stamps in the second and third row from the top are almost unperforated between, but four perf. holes showing at the left side. At the same time Mr. Stefun sends a block of four of the 1c Defense stamp plate 22769 which shows a vertical pair almost imperf between. There are two perf. holes at right, then two holes missing, then another hole and beyond that to the left, no holes at all.

Collectors will do well to watch for these errors as if the machine has been working that way, pairs imperf. between may show up and such things will be very choice pieces. In sending the block of 1c stamps mentioned above, Mr. Stefun says in numerous places throughout the sheet, perforation holes were missing.

International Postal Depository

Eleven member governments of the Pan American Union have now indicated their assurances of supporting the Union's proposal that it be designated as a central depository for all new postal issues and supporting legislation among the Western Hemisphere republics, thus virtually assuring the official approval of the project at the next postal Congress. Meanwhile Mexico and Honduras have voluntarily acted on the suggestion without awaiting formal action on the part of the Postal Union. Captain Colon Eloy Alfaro, Ambassador from Ecuador, is urging similar action on the part of his government.

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Every stamp is exactly as represented, and any stamp not entirely satisfactory may be returned for a full refund. Below is a list of our special bargains. READ IT OVER CAREFULLY.

Country	Scott's Cat. No.	Description	Scott's Cat. Price	Our Price
Austria	1	1 Kr. yellow, superb condition, large margins	2.50	1.50
Austria	1	1 Kr. yellow, fine superb pair, fine margins	—	3.50
Austria	1-A	1 Kr. yellow, superb copy, printed on both sides	9.00	3.50
Austria	2.	2 Kr. black, superb, extra large margins	1.75	1.00
Argentine	5-A	5 C. red, superb copy, small margins at left	5.00	1.90
Azores	6	110 R. lilac, superb copy, small margins at left	30.00	11.50
Barbados	48	6 P. orange, extra fine, lightly cancelled	8.00	3.20
Brazil	39	280 R. red, superb, large margin, lightly cancelled	9.00	3.60
Bavaria	11	12 K. red, extra fine, small margins	10.00	2.50
Bavaria	13	18 K. yellow, superb with fine margins	10.00	3.50
Bavaria	12	12 K. green, fine copy, small margins	3.50	1.25
Bavaria	14	18 K. vermillion red, fine, with small margins	6.00	2.30
Bavaria	20.	9 K. bistre, fine with boardwalk margins	4.50	2.25
Bavaria	21	12 K. lilac, superb, extra large margins	8.00	4.25
British Guiana	12	4 C. blue, superb, nice margins	85.00	21.50
Bremen	1	3 Gr. black, superb, fine margins	30.00	13.50
Bremen	4-A	5 Sgr. yellow-green, nice, close margins	25.00	6.50
Brunswick	9	5 Sgr. blue, superb with large margins	3.50	1.95
Brunswick	10	3 Sgr. rose, lightly cancelled, large margins	8.00	3.75
Brunswick	12	5 Sgr. brown, superb with large margins	4.00	2.00
Brunswick	11	3 Sgr. rose, superb, with large margins	10.00	4.50
Cape of Good Hope	1	Pair of 1-Penny red, on blue paper, very fine	22.00	14.00
Cape of Good Hope	3	1 P. rose, fine, but margins close at bottom	10.00	2.50
Cape of Good Hope	4	4 P. blue, fine, but margins close at bottom	3.00	1.00
Cape of Good Hope	5.	6 P. lilac, fine, but margins close at bottom	10.00	2.50
Cape of Good Hope	5-A	6 P. gray, superb, fine margins, light pen cancelled	15.00	4.50
Cape of Good Hope	6	1 Sh. green, cuts into margins slightly	15.00	2.20
Cape of Good Hope	6-A	1 Sh. dark green, close margins, on three sides	20.00	3.50
Cape of Good Hope	7	1 P. red, wood block stamp, slightsy damaged	85.00	15.00
Cape of Good Hope	9	1 P blue, fine copy, fine wood block stamp	50.00	19.50
Chile	11	1 C. lemon, very fine, with purple cancellation	6.00	2.00
Denmark	14	8 Sh. bistre, fine, margins close at right	3.50	1.20
Denmark	15	16 Sh. olive green, fine, but close margins at left	4.00	1.30
France	1	10 C. bistre, small margins at left, but a fine copy	6.00	2.00
France	7	40 C. orange, fine, but a bit heavily cancelled	8.00	2.00
France	37	5 Fr. gray lilac, the big stamp, very fine	12.00	3.00
France	48	80 C rose, close at top, otherwise boardwalk margins	8.00	4.00
France	48-A	80 C. dull rose, superb, lightly cancelled	10.00	5.00
France	42-T1	20 C. blue, superb, lightly cancelled	12.50	6.25
German	15	10 Sgr. orange, nice, but has small open tear at top	17.50	2.50
Gold Coast	4	½ P. bistre, unused fine copy, with original gum	2.50	1.10
Great Britain	74	10 Sh. slate, fine copy, but added perforations at right	25.00	2.50
Great Britain	90-A	5 Sh. rose, nice margin copy, but a bit heavily cancelled	20.00	3.75
Great Britain	109-B	10 Sh. blue, fine, has a few pin holes at upper right	40.00	3.80
Haiti	5C	Green superb, lightly cancelled, unperforated copy	5.00	2.50
Haiti	14	2 C. dark violet, superb, lightly cancelled copy	3.00	1.50

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MICHIGAN STAMP AND COIN COMPANY, 1911 Fifth Street, Detroit, Michigan

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Country	Scott's Cat. No.	Description	Scott's Cat. Price	Our Price
Hamburg	1-7	Complete unused set finest margins, practically superb	47.50	19.50
Hawaii	22	5-C blue, fine, lightly cancelled, a bit close at right	30.00	12.50
Hawaii	24	2-C black unused, superb, large margins	10.00	4.50
Hanover	6	1/10 yellow, fine copy, close margins	7.00	2.50
Italy	J-10	50 Buff and magenta, (numerals inverted), close at right	3.00	1.35
Mec-Schwerin	2	3 Sh. orange-yellow, fine, close margins	6.00	2.00
Mec-Schwerin	8	3 Sh. orange-yellow, roulett coupe, with nice margins	12.50	3.50
Mec.-Strelitz	1	¼ Sg. orange, very fine, unused copy	7.00	1.95
Mec.-Strelitz	2	1/3 Sg. green, very fine unused copy	6.00	1.75
Netherlands	12	50 C. gold, nice copy, cuts in slightly at right	7.00	1.50
Netherlands	32	2 Gl. 50 C. rose, and ultramarine, large margins	5.00	2.25
New-Brunswick	1	3-P. red, fine, lightly cancelled, close margins	15.00	5.00
New-Brunswick	2	6 P. olive-yellow, unused copy, slight defect at lower left	200.00	17.50
Newfoundland	26	5-C black, extra fine copy	15.00	6.50
Norway	3	3-Sh. lilac, superb, fine margins	3.00	1.25
Nova Scotia	1	1 P. red-brown, fine copy, bit close at lower right	30.00	12.50
Nova Scotia	3	2-P. dark blue, very fine, lightly cancelled, superb	10.00	4.50
Oldenburg	2	1/15 Thaler, rose, fine, lightly cancelled, close margins	10.00	2.00
Oldenburg	6	1 G. blue, lightly cancelled, close margins	6.00	1.20
Oldenburg	7	2 G. rose, close margins, fine, lightly cancelled	85.00	16.50
Oldenburg	8	3 G. yellow, fine, lightly cancelled, close margins	65.00	12.50
Oldenburg	12	½ G. brown, lightly cancelled, close margins	40.00	7.50
Oldenburg	13	1 G. blue, fine lightly cancelled, close margins	20.00	4.50
Oldenburg	14	2 G. red, fine, close margins, lightly cancelled	50.00	9.50
Oldenburg	16	1/3 Gr. green, nice margin, a bit heavily cancelled	5.00	1.00
Sch. Holstein	25	4 Sh. bistre, very fine copy	3.50	1.50
Saxony	3	½ N. G. gray, superb	1.50	.70
Saxony	7	2 N. G. dark blue, superb	3.50	1.50
Saxony	6	2 N. G. pale blue, superb fine margins	4.00	1.95
Saxony	13	5 N. G. rose red, superb, fine margins	2.50	1.25
Saxony	414-A	10 N. G. blue, superb, lightly cancelled, fine margins	25.00	11.50
Sweden	7	9 Ore, violet, extra fine copy, large margins	7.00	2.75
Sweden	14	17 Ore, red-violet, extra fine, large margins	7.00	2.75
Sweden	118-A	10 Ore, green, finely centered, Tete Beche pair	40.00	18.50
Transvaal	105	1 P. on 6c slate, fine unused, straight edge at bottom	7.50	1.50
Two Sicily	20	1 G. brown, very fine lightly cancelled copy	4.00	1.00
Turkey	7-A	1 P. gray lilac, superb, lightly cancelled copy	4.00	1.00
Venezuela	12	1 C. slate, very fine, but has close margins	12.50	2.50
Victoria	3	3-P blue, nice copy, close margins	5.00	1.00
Victoria	7	2-P brown, lilac, fine copy, close margins	10.00	2.50
Victoria	29	1-P green, fair copy, cuts into design, good space filler	8.00	.80
Victoria	18	1 Sh. blue, nice copy, has close margins	5.00	1.00
Victoria	25	1 Sh. blue, nice copy, has close margins	3.00	1.00
Victoria	92	6 P. blue, good copy, close margins at top and left	10.00	1.95
Victoria	99	10 P. slate, cuts into design at right, S. E. at bottom	17.00	2.50
Victoria	119	1 Sh. blue, very fine	4.00	1.25
Victoria	191	5 Sh. red and blue, superb large margins	4.00	2.00
Victoria	78	8 P. orange, unused, close margins	12.00	2.00
Great Britain	65	Used block of 6, plate #9, cuts into design slightly at top	7.50	2.50
Canada	136	Superb full sheet, O. G., of 100 unperforated stamps	75.00	42.50
Canada	137	Superb full O. G. sheet of 100 unperforated stamps	175.00	87.50

We strongly advise that you watch these bargain sales of foreign stamps, which will be offered quite regularly for the next three months. As many of these stamps are in unusually fine and superb condition, and lacking in many collections, we expect a strong demand and for that reason we would advise that you send us your order today. In other words,

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The new paper will be of 8 or more pages, page size will be approximately 12 inches wide by 18 inches high, there will be five columns on a page, 16 inches of type matter in a column or a total of 80 inches of matter on each page.

Comparing this with our present paper, we now have 432 inches of space in this publication. In the new paper with 8 pages we will have 640 inches of space, almost 50% more space for reading matter and advertising.

The new paper is to be printed just like a regular big city newspaper. The type will be all machine set, stereotype plates will be made, these will go on a Goss Rotary Newspaper Press, the paper will come from a roll, move through the press and both sides will be printed at the same time when the paper comes from the press all folded and ready to be addressed and put into the mails.

This is the cheapest and most economical form of publication and permits operation at the lowest possible cost. Low cost means low prices for advertising for the dealer.

Effective with the first March issue, a new table of advertising rates will go into effect. Dealers who are now on contract under present rates will be at liberty to cancel their present contract and sign a new contract at the new and lower rates.

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Start with the first big issue for March 5th, prepare and send your copy at once. Under any circumstances the copy for this first new Tabloid issue must be in our hands by February 24th. It will take us a bit longer to make the change over for this first issue, but after that has been done then you dealers get another big break, something that no other Philatelic Publication offers you.

After the first issue is printed, a new schedule for publication goes into effect. Deadline for copy will be noon each Friday. The paper will be dated on the following Thursday but will actually go into the mails on Wednesday. Thus we give your advertising copy speedy service, just five days from date we receive the copy till it is on the way all over the United States to collectors who are waiting for your offers. No other stamp publication has ever given such quick service and wise dealers know how advantageous that will be.

Just think what these new low rates will mean. You can actually have room to make some real offers in your advertising. For example, a five inch single column advertisement for only $5.00 or a double column advertisement 2½ inches deep may be used, and it goes to more than 12,000 active readers. Get in on this first big issue, send your copy now.

eekly Stamp News, Columbus, O.

These Columbian blocks were purchased by a local dealer for a midwest client. The $2 Omaha was bought by a West Coast collector. The attendance was large, the floor bidding highly competitive, and most desirable items bought from the floor.

JAS. R. ARNOLD 28TH POSTAL HISTORY AUCTION held Jan. 23rd at Metuchen, N. J. A Bradford, N.H. straight line Stampless, 1845, with Ms. 10, V.F., @ $2.25. A Stampless Steamer "Sultana of St. Louis," in red double circle and "Steam," (Klein #536), @ $13.45. #65 on Patriotic Cover of 6th Corps, 2nd Division, with large blue cross, unlisted, @ $2.75. #33, "From Steamer Opalousas," in red double oval, canc. "Way," @ $3.00. An "Albany-Buffalo R.R." in blue on 1852 cover face with #33, @ $3.50. #33 on cover with "Phila. R. R." in blue, @ $2.60. #44 tied on Princeton, N.J., V.F. cover, with "Princeton University, Class 1860" corner card, @ $5.10. #44, pair and single tied Homer C. H., La., fine, @ $4.10. #73, star in circle Putnam, Ct., @ $3.20. #189, tied to France, 1888, @ $1.75. The Camel Express, Nov. 4, 1935, set of 3 with diff. colored labels, Ft. TeJon to Los Angeles, @ $5.00. A U.S. P. O. Directory of 1870, @ $2.00. A Columbian Exposition Catalogue of the Russian Exhibit, @ $2.50. "War Stamps of Mexico," by Linn, @ $2.50. Over 50 lots of autographic material brought good prices.

A. H. MURCHISON 45TH PACIFIC COAST SALE held Jan. 21st at the Los Angeles Philatelic Club. U. S. Postal Card #UX4 (1c black), Cat. $5.00, @ $2.85. Twenty lots of Indian Territory covers and post cards offered brought $1.00 to $2.40, the latter for envelope #U228 (2c red), V.F., from Wealaka, I.T. in magenta. A 6c Agriculture (#04), used, blue canc. ($4) @ $2.30. Fine used set Parcel Post complete, @ $2.75. 4c Proprietary #R22b, fine only, @ $2.10. 5c, #RB16a, centered T., fine ($10), @ $4.20. A few lots of X-mas seals and a score of wholesale completed the U.S. lots offered.

● Indo China has the cheapest postage stamps in the world. It issues stamps in fractions of a "cent," but their "cent" is worth a great deal less than a United States coin of that name. The franc or piastre as it is variously called is divided into 100 cents, and though its nominal value is 25c, it has since the World War fallen to as low as three cents much lower. It will be seen that even at par a 1c stamp would be worth in U. S. money only one-quarter U. S. cent; but Indo-China issues stamps for ½c, 2/5c, 1/5c and even as low as 1/10c! Consequently its postage stamps are cheaper than any other country, in that more can be bought for a given sum than in any other post office in the world. The stamps are used in connection with some odd fractional local rates of postage.

● A letter mailed at Washington, D. C., addressed to California, has some interesting Postal Markings, in fact four or five of them. It was evidently first mailed without a stamp affixed. It is marked "Held for Postage," also "Returned for Postage," also with a fist including the words "Returned to Sender." Then another mark is added after the sender had evidently placed a stamp on the letter and given it back to the P. O. This mark reads, "Postage subsequently paid by writer." In addition the stamp is cancelled in the usual manner and the letter went through.

U. S. STAMPS

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The collecting of Philatelic Labels is an adjunct to the collecting of postage stamps, seals and poster stamps. These items are somewhere in between the above. Sometimes they are given away as souvenirs and sometimes they are sold to help defray the expenses of the Stamp Club under whose wing the exhibit is held.

There are a great number of these Philatelic Labels, many of them dating back even to the last century. In recent years, some of them have appeared regularly but there are cases where only a single issue was made. These latter are usually difficult to secure because the issue is small and often exhausted during the exhibit.

Frequently collectors make a specialty of some group or those issued in any one State. We have collected those in our home State—New Jersey—and list below those known to us.

Atlantic City Stamp Club

ATEX - 1934 - Sheet of four
ATEX - 1936 - Above sheet overprinted
ATEX - 1937 - Pre-conventioned Labels - two (green and blue)
ATEX - 1937 - Sheet - blue
ATEX - 1938 - Pre-conventioned Labels - two (green and blue)
ATEX - 1938 - Sheet - green - small
ATEX - 1938 - Sheet - green - large
ATEX - 1939 - Pre-conventioned Label - purple
ATEX - 1939 - Sheet
ATEX - 1940 - Sheet
ATEX - 1941 - None issued

Coryell's Ferry Stamp Club - Lambertville, New Jersey

1937 - Second Annual Exhibit

International Association of Philatelists, Glen Ridge, N. J.

1937 - Sheet of four - Imperforate

Jersey City Stamp Show - Jersey City, N. J.

1933 - Sheet of four seals - perforated
1933 - Sheet of four seals - imperforate

New Jersey Philatelic Federation

STAMPEX - 1934 - Sheet - 4 Triangles
STAMPEX - 1935 - 4 HR Labels - red, blue, green, brown.
STAMPEX - 1936 - 4 VR Labels - red, blue, green, brown.
STAMPEX - 1937 - Sheet of 4 Labels - imperforate
STAMPEX - 1938 - Set of 2 sheets.
STAMPEX - 1939 - None issued.
STAMPEX - 1940 - Sheet

New Jersey Philatelic Labels

Trenton Stamp Club - Trenton, N.J.

TRENPEX - 1941 - Gummed Label - red and blue
TRENPEX - 1941 - Same as above, ungummed card
TRENPEX - 1941 - Same - colors reversed
TRENPEX - 1941 - Same - red only

Association of South Jersey Stamp Club

SOJEX - 1937 - Sheet - orange
SOJEX - 1938 - Sheet - Purple
SOJEX - 1939 - Sheet - brown
SOJEX - 1940 - Sheet - blue
SOJEX - 1940 - Same design as above - imperforate label
SOJEX - 1941 - Sheet - imperforate - blue and red
SOJEX - First Jamboree - 1938 - Westmont - 4 labels - imperforate, green yellow, blue and pink.
SOJEX - Second Jamboree - 1939 - Vineland - 4 labels - imperforate - green, yellow, blue and pink.
SOJEX - Third Jamboree - 1940 - Vineland - 1 seal imperforate
SOJEX - Fourth Jamboree - 1941 - Westville - 4 Seals imperforate - green, yellow, blue and orange

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Simplified Precancel Collecting

By Jos. Whitebourgh

By this is meant to collect one U. S. stamp of each major variety, as listed in the Scott catalog, precanceled, regardless of city or type. Of course, some of the early U. S. issues do not exist precanceled, which makes it a great deal easier to form a complete collection of those that exist.

Very few collectors now are aware of the fact that this specialty in U. S. collecting is growing at a fast pace. No doubt thousands of philatelists will be impressed favorably by the beauty and variety of such a collection and will take up this new and fascinating branch, if I may judge by the great interest already shown by those who have had a chance to see such a collection.

Right now, the restrictions on importations of foreign stamps from abroad are adding just one more advantage to simplified precancel collecting.

I am sure that most collectors of U. S. fancy cancellations have a few without knowing it. How many know that the famous "Glen Ellen Star", on the 1 cent of the 1873-79 issues, is a precancel worth from 5 to 10 dollars, depending on the issue and of course, condition. Do you know that the 1847 issue 5 cent stamp, precanceled Wheeling, W. Va., brought $400.00 in the Stephen D. Brown auction, over a year ago? Did you ever notice that the Playing Card stamps are almost all precanceled? The 1898 revenue stamps, Battleship type, are in great demand precanceled. Collectors are looking with fieldglasses for the 10 cent Special Delivery, green, precanceled, and gladly pay five dollars for a nice copy.

The 1894 issue and the 1917 coil stamps, perforated 10 and 12, are considered gems by every possessor. Try and get all the postage dues of 1894 and 1895 precanceled—and you will have a picnic! If you don't believe me, convince yourself and try an ad "To Buy." And just the same, occasionally you pick up a rare item for a song because your fellow collector did not know its value.

Do you realize that a 2 cent stamp of the "Famous American" series precanceled, although it may cost you only 10 cents now, is 50,000 times scarcer than the same stamp with a regular cancellation". Can you see the possibilities in this field?

As an ardent collector of Bureau Print precancels, and having a complete collection of these, except for the Liberty 1½c coil, which I sold recently for $575.00, spot cash, I have been approached very often to collect city type or local precancels also, either by cities, states, denominations or general.

I could not see how a person with only a limited amount of time for his hobby, and at my age of 54 years, could expand so far to study and learn all the different types and collect intelligently a few hundred thousand items. Besides, as far as I am concerned, and a big percentage of other collectors agree with me, I could not see how even near-completeness could be obtained.

I was giving plenty of consideration and thought as to how to help and be useful to the precancel hobby in general, besides seeing, years ago, interest fading in the new mint issues on one hand, and on the other, many collectors getting to the point where they could not afford, or were not willing to spend from 5 to 100 dollars for each stamp they needed for their collections. Therefore, for a great many U. S. collectors, the hobby became stagnant and uninteresting.

I noticed that many U. S. collectors were showing a desire to take up collecting precancels, but were finding it difficult even to play with the nine different types in Bureau Prints, not to mention the hundreds of types in local precancels.

Finally, about four years ago, one day it struck me like lightning; why not simplify it and start collecting just one precancel, regardless of city and type, of every U. S. stamp that exists precanceled? By doing so the number would be enormously reduced, to about 700 postage and roughly 100 revenues. The beauty of the plan is that you can have your commemoratives, airmails, special delivery, parcel post, postage dues, perforation and watermark varieties, colored precancels, etc.

Four years ago, I started slowly but surely, salting away nice items, which came in very handy when I started putting them in my "Simplified U. S. precancel collection."

Rest assured, that by collecting in this form you will get new inspiration and you will find it very fascinating. Just get yourself a U.S. album and try it—the enjoyment is all yours.

This brief script is my experience as told above—so every Bureau and regular U.S. collector can have a new field to refresh his collecting spirit.

—*The Precancel Optimist*

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Croatia. Regular Issue.

The New York Times reports the arrival in New York of six stamps said to have been issued for the "Independent State of Croatia," formerly part of the Jugoslav kingdom. The currency unit is the "kuna" (unofficially valued at about 2½c). This set is said to have been issued last September.

0.50k, dark blue. Waterfall with view of City of Jajce.
1.50k, yellow green. View of Zelenjak River
2.k, bright red. Zagreb Cathedral
5k, black brown. Arch Bridge in Konjic.
7k, orange. River scene in Slavonija.
10k, plum. Waterfalls at Plitvice.

Denmark.—Commemorative.

The set in honor of Vitus Johanssen Bering, mentioned some weeks ago in this column, has been received. The design features an ancient sailing vessel, with "Vitus Bering in Memoriam" across the top of the stamp, the denomination in the upper right corner, the dates 1741-1941 in the upper left corner, and the country name below. Values and colors as follows:

10 violet.
20 red-brown.
40 grayish blue.

French Equatorial Africa. Semi-Postal

The Free French have issued a stamp inscribed "Afrique Francaise Libre" showing a picture of Pierre Paul F. C. S. de Brazza, founder of Brazzaville, the capital of French Equatorial Africa, together with a scene believed to be a view of Stanley Pool (the semi-lake in the Congo River on which Brazzaville is located).

1f plus 2fr. brown and scarlet.

Regarding the above, the New York Times comments: "Whether this is a postage stamp for use generally in Free French terrain in Africa or is merely a money-raising poster without postal validity remains to be determined. It does not bear the name of any stamp issuing government of the past." Your editor comments that the stamp is inscribed "Postes" and that the progress of the war has already created new stamp issuing entities and will likely create more.

Guatemala.—Provisional.

½c on 25c brown orange.

This is on the 25c of the issue of 1929 with the statue of President Barrios. The stamp is overprinted "½ ½ Medio Centavo" in two lines in black.

Hungary.

The New York Sun reports the issue, prior to December 7, of a new series with portrait of Regent Horthy. Values and colors reported are:

1 pengo, green.
2 pengo, brown.
5 pengo, purple.

Norway.

Under a London, England, date line, via Associate Press, the Newark, N.J. Sunday Call reports as follows on February 1, 1942: "The German radio announced last night Quisling's portrait will adorn two new stamps to be issued in connection with his elevation from his present Norwegian post as political leader of the Nazi-established "commission state." These, it said, would be sold at a hiked fee, the surcharge to be used by the National Samling political organization he heads."

Pahang.

8c rose (Sultan Bakar).

This stamp is reported as having been issued just before the Japanese invasion.

Perak.

2c brown-orange. Sultan Iskandar.

This was also issued just before the Japanese invasion.

Russia. Provisional Issue.

The New York Times reports the following. Four stamps in the 1939 regular series were issued at Odessa during the siege, overprinted in black with new values and with bars obliterating the original values.

8k on 5k, red
10k on 15k, dark green
25k on 30k, deep blue
50k on 60k, rose-carmine.

Serbia. Semi-postals.

The New York Times reports as follows: Four definitive semi-postals come from this Axis-occupied part of Yugoslavia. Issued last fall, they are as follows:

0.50d plus 1d, light brown, Fortress at Drava & Danube Rivers.
1d plus 2d, gray-green, Women & Children Greeting Soldiers.
1.50d plus 3d, red-violet, (same as above).
2d plus 4d, blue, (same as 0.50 plus 1d).

Miniature sheets, both perforated and imperforate, are also reported of these stamps.

Tunis. Provisionals.

Over-printed "Secours National" and new value.

1f on 25c emerald, (1941 issue).
1.50f on 1.40f, red-violet, (1940 issue).
1.50f on 1.25f. red (1940 issue).
2f on 2.25f. ultramarine (1939 issue).

(Washington Stamp Exchange).

BUY DEFENSE STAMPS

Chain Letter Ban

A warning to promoters of so-called "endless chain letter" schemes soliciting Defense Savings Stamps was issued by the Post Office Department, as a result of a continued flood of chain letters of this nature which are now moving through the United States Mails.

The Department, in a notice to postmasters supplementing a previous notice of July 22nd last, instructed the nation's postmasters that the sending of such matter through the mails is a violation of the Postal Fraud and Lottery statutes.

Postmasters have been advised that the promoters of chain letter schemes whose names come to the attention of the Post Office Department will be required to show cause why a fraud order denying them the use of the mails should not be issued against them.

Enforcement of the postal fraud and lottery statutes by the Post Office Department in connection with the sending of Defense Stamp chain-letters will prevent the victimizing of postal patrons in a scheme which is defrauding unsuspecting participants in many sections of the country.

● Adam Gruenig of Ceres, California is an enthusiastic collector of everything pertaining to stamps, covers etc. In fact we understand he collects most everything and to him we are indebted for many brief notes on covers and items of interest in the daily mail.

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By Kenneth M. Gierhart
Baltimore, Ohio

This And That

Much the same as the story of Dr. Phillips, Fla. is the one about HOWEY IN THE HILLS. According to W. S. Branch of Orlando, Howey is about twenty miles to the west and is a center of an orange grove district. Howey a former Illinois man settled here and developed the area breaking it up into groves and selling them mostly to retired business men who invariably established fine homes on the sites. A 'Go-getter' and a politician as well Howey was well known in the 'Gator state' having run for Governor twice on the Republican ticket.-----Away to the north now in good old New Hampshire, Jerry Lapin shows me a pair of the KEARSARGE, N.H. ½c Hales in BLUE INK with the Sec. 562 P.L. & R. and all on it and evidently applied after the stamps were placed on the cover. There is quite a story about these items and it becomes quite involved. Suffice to say that if you come across one of these clearly printed precancels in blue ink you can't miss it and you will have some beautiful for your collection.-----MR. G. D. P. of Watertown, N.Y. I believe the amount of favor precancels are much less than you estimate. In commemoratives and odd values and the like the rate is high but in the regular issues its pretty low. No matter how much time is on the hands of the clerks they still are supposed to abide by regulations and the Carthegena coils are outside this as I doubt if over a very small percent were used, I haven't heard of any but there must have been a few to give them some authenticity. Lets don't aid and abet such a thing it hurts our hobby. The Mission at Carthagena has a lot of legitimate precancels to sell, many that collectors want, so I hope they stick to selling them.-----Mrs. J. M. of Peru, Nebraska No, I never advise forming a precancel collection by placing all the ½c on a page the 1c on the next page etc. That to me is just a mess and seldom does one follow collecting precancels long in that manner. No matter how few you have keep them at least by cities and issues.

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PRECANCELS

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Baltimore, Ohio

Latest Washington Stamp News

The following lists of postage stamp plate numbers issued during the month of January 1942 were announced by the Post Office Department today.

Plate No.	Denomination	Class	Series	Subject
22868	1c	National Defense, Electric Eye Convertible	1940	400 Curved
22869	1c	"	"	" "
22870	2c	"	"	" "
22871	2c	"	"	" "
22872	3c	"	"	" "
22873	3c	"	"	" "
22874	3c	"	"	" "
22875	3c	"	"	" "
22876	1½c	Ord., Electric Eye Convert.	1938	" "
22877	1½c	Do.	"	" "
22878	3c	National Defense, Electric Eye Convertible	1940	" "
22879	3c	Do.	"	" "
22880	1½c	Ord., Electric Eye Convert.	1938	" "
22881	1½c	Do.	"	" "

The following plates were sent to press for printing, during January.

Plate No.	Denomination	Class	Series	Subject	Date sent to press
22758	10c	Air Mail Stamps Electric Eye Convert.	1941	200	Jan. 28, 1942
22759	10c	Do.	"	"	Jan. 28, 1942

● Charles F. Orgel won the Cleveland Stamp Club's Exhibition Trophy at the Annnual Open House of the club on January 31st and February 1st. Mr. Orgel displayed a five-frame exhibit of "Civil War Patriotics." The eleven-frame exhibit of "Covers of All Wars of Modern Times" of Rev. William H. Tower of Montclair, N.J., was shown by invitation and was very interesting.

● The 1942 Convention of the Society of Philatelic Americans is scheduled to be held Wednesday, August 19th, through Sunday, August 23rd at the Detroit-Leland Hotel, Detroit, Michigan.

● Collectors of Postal Markings should not overlook the many current rubber stamp markings on our mail as these will be Postal Marking history in future years. Right now I have one before me which reads "Postage Insufficient--for U. S. Air Mail Dispatch--Forwarded by Train--(Chicago Ill., Term. R. P. O.)"

BROADWAY Chatter

The predicted rise in the recent North Borneo War Tax stamps came true this week. The wholesaler having the only remaining supply, doubled his original price. When these are gone there will be no more.

A rather despicable trick to make a few extra dollars is being tried by one of the metropolitan wholesalers, it seems that out of a set containing a large number of stamps, he withholds one stamp, this stamp he puts on the market at a later time thereby getting a higher price to complete the set.

This past week was again noticed by the absence of any new stamps except the nice $2.09 auto use stamp, how about thinking up a good idea for the user to use the stamp and when the new stamp comes out to reclaim the old one for collecting purposes.

The collecting of censor covers, shows no signs of letting up. Nearly all incoming mail to the U. S. bears censor markings, this type of material is well sought after, a collector gets a great kick out of getting some new markings. Incidentally covers and cards bearing U. S. censor markings aren't lagging behind in popularity.

Many of the younger dealers in New York, have liquidated their business and are now members of Uncle Sam's forces. Some business's have others running them while the owner or owners are doing their bit.

Arthur W. Deas was named by the governing board of the Collectors Club as president for the fifth consecutive time. Edwin Elkins well known in local philatelic circles was named to the Board of Governors filling the vacancy created by the resignation of Arthur Owen. Also from the Collectors Club comes the announcement that President Roosevelt is the dean of all living honorary members, his appointment coming in 1931.

According to Sidney Barrett of the Economist Stamp Co., in a recent article published in the New York Sun, there are 25 stamps valued at $3,000.00 or over in the catalogue. Anyone want to check him. British Guiana with 7 stamps tops the list, Mauritius with 5 and Hawaii with 4 follow behind.

Who says the $2.00 Omaha issue in block form wasn't scarce. At the recent Storz collection sale held by Harmer Rooke, a block of 4 of this stamp brought $910.00. Plate blox of 6 of the $2, 3, 4, and 5 Columbian issue brought $5,125.00. Not bad for $84 face.

Don't forget the nicest current stamps are the Defense Stamps, a collection of these in a government printed album makes for better and safer collecting.

Coming Auction Sales

One of the most interesting sales during February is that of the sale of the great Webster Collection of British Guiana stamps. This sale is to be held by Harmer, Rooke & Co., Inc. on Thursday, February 19th at their offices, 551 Fifth Avenue, New York. On the preceeding day, a fine collection of mint British Empire stamps and other foreign is to be sold.

On February 21st, the Cosmos Stamp Co. of 116 Nassau Street, New York, will sell a choice collection of United States Stamps exclusively. This event should attract every U. S. enthusiast.

● Mr. P. H. Thorp of Netcong, N. J. is rapidly taking the leading role among American Stamp Dealers as the recognized holder of the finest stock of United States Envelope Stamps. These stamps have had their ups and downs and always seem to come back again to intrigue the student. Mr. Thorps acquisition of the collections formed by the late George H. Worthington as well as the famous Mason collection gives him one of the finest stocks in the world and his offerings are attracting much attention.

● The March number of Cosmopolitan Magazine, page 75 contains an article on stamps and Stamp Collecting by that great Ex-Postmaster General, James A. Farley. So writes Mr. M. G. Himmes, of Chicago.

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